



NEWSLETTER

Week beginning 29.9.25

Key Information

We'll be doing this D & T soon. We still don't have enough boxes for everyone so any spares will be gratefully received.

We're finding a lot of non-labelled school uniform in our classrooms and on the playground. Please ensure your child's clothing is labelled so that we can return them to the rightful owner.

Attendance

F2 96.4% Y1 95.8% Y2 96% Y3 96.7%

Y4 97.9% Y5 97.5% Y6 96.9%

The whole school target for attendance is 97%

Message from the Year 4 Team

A message about spellings:

We will give out new spellings on a Friday.

Once new spellings have been handed out, we will teach and practice those spellings as well as check the children's spelling books in the following week.

We are looking for some evidence of practice in the children's spelling books. This might look like writing the spellings out three times. The wordsearch is additional practice but isn't compulsory.

This week's learning

In Maths this week we rounding to the nearest 1,000, counting in 25s and counting in negative numbers. In English, we'll be continuing to read Harry Potter and we'll be exploring magical vocabulary in setting descriptions. In Science we'll be investigating pitch and looking for patterns in the way sounds are made. We'll be continuing to explore the work of Wassily Kandinsky and imitate his style in our own abstract artwork. We'll also be learning about resilience by listening to the story 'The Path' by Bob Staake, learning about uploading content to the internet in Computing and using the verb to play (jouer) in French.

Whole school information

We have put together the dates for this term and tried to be as specific as we can with timings etc. Whilst we have spent a lot of time getting them together, there may be situations when times will change. If this happens we will try our best to give you as much notice as possible.

The email to book an appointment for Parents Evening will be sent out next week.

Message from Mr Wilkes

Thank you for your understanding with the change of gate openings at Cator Lane, it is much better now we don't have children walking through the car park. Just a reminder that the small gate on top playground is also open for you to use, this prevents a bottleneck at the crossing patrol.

We are still working with Beanstack on getting the new system up and running, apologies for not getting this out to you sooner but we are working with the company to make sure it is fully tested and ready to go.

As part of the INSET day at the start of term we spent some time reviewing the values. We had another session working with the staff team on them last night and we are almost ready with a draft. In the next couple of weeks, I will be sending it out with the rationale for the changes and would welcome any feedback.